

AN INTERESTING BUTTERFLY CAPTURE.

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On August 6, 1926, while in southern New Brunswick, I took several specimens of a butterfly which looked unfamiliar, though it recalled both *Brenthis montinus* and *B. bellona*. Comparison with available examples of *B. chariclea* and *boisduvali* showed that it was most like the latter but differed in being considerably larger. As no example of that form was reported from nearer than Natashquan, Labrador, a specimen was sent, by permission, to Dr. F. H. Benjamin, curator of the Barnes collection, for determination. He tells me that it agrees perfectly with the type of *Brenthis chariclea grandis* of Barnes and McDunnough (Can. Ent., vol. 48, p. 223 (1916) from Hymers, Ont.

The original description emphasizes the deep purple color on the under side of the secondaries and the apex of the primaries. In my specimens the color is a deep golden brown, more or less suffused with purplish (lavender on the mesial pale band of the secondaries), a combination which, with the numerous dark and light spots of varied outline and arrangement, gives a very rich effect to the aspect of the lower surface of the wings.

This butterfly was captured in Charlotte County, N. B., only a few miles from the coast,—several hundred miles from Natashquan on the north shore of the St. Lawrence River, which is, I believe, the nearest point from which *boisduvali* has been recorded. This would seem good reason for believing that it will ultimately be found to be a resident locally of the mountainous portions of eastern Quebec, the colder sections of New Brunswick, especially near the coast, and also, perhaps, even of the eastern portion of Maine in the vicinity of Trescott and Cutler.